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Mr. Gottesman,

Please see the attached FOIA request.

Thank you.

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Dear Mr. Gottesman

Pursuant to the federal Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, I request access to and electronic copies of assistant administrator Cynthia Giles's emails from May 4, 2012 through February 12, 2015 that include one or more of the words "keystone, pipeline, and/or TransCanada" in the subject line or the body.

I would like to receive the information in any standard format including Microsoft Excel, Microsoft Word, or PDF. I can accept the information on standard electronic media including a CD-ROM, although email is preferred.

If my request is denied in whole or part, I ask that you justify all deletions by reference to specific exemptions of the act. I will also expect you to release all segregable portions of otherwise exempt material. I, of course, reserve the right to appeal your decision to withhold any information or to deny a waiver of fees.

I would appreciate your communicating with me by email or telephone, rather than by mail.

Please provide expedited processing of this request, which concerns a matter of urgency. As a journalism student at Rider University, I am primarily engaged in disseminating information. The public has an urgent need for information about the Keystone XL Pipeline Project because the public should be aware of the issues surrounding the project, which has the potential to affect the entirety of the American population. This will allow the public to better-understand the issue and decide whether or not they support the project. I certify that my statements concerning the need for expedited processing are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Because I am requesting electronic records, I ask that you waive all fees. If you decline to waive all fees, I ask that you notify me before fulfilling with any portion of this request that will result in a charge.

If my request is particularly difficult to fulfill, I will gladly modify it to make it easier. If you have any questions or need additional information, please feel free to contact me, preferably by email.

I look forward to your determination regarding my request for expedited processing within 10 calendar days, as the statute requires.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

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